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SUFFICIENT FODDER AND PASTURES FOR LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether sufficient fodder and pastures for the livestock are available in the country especially in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the area under the pastures and the availability of fodder, State-wise; and

(c) the availability of fodder per cattle in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LALBHURIA)

(a): As per the projected estimates by the Working Group on Animal Husbandry for 10th Plan, there is an overall shortage of fodder in the country including Uttar Pradesh which is about 62% and 22% of green and dry fodder respectively.

(b): A statement showing area under pastures and availability of fodder, State-wise is given in Annexure-I.

(c): It is estimated that about 13.04 kgs fodder per cattle per day is available in the country.